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SUBJECT: IMPROVEMENT OF THE NATO DEFENSE PLANNING REVIEW PROCESS--
THE BALANCE

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1. SINCE RECEIPT OF REFTEL (A), USDELMC HAS BEEN INSTRUCTED BY JCS TO SEEK TO BASE MILITARY COMMITTEE STUDY ON NATO-WP NET COMPARATIVE CAPABILITY ON MORE REALISTIC BALANCE OF FORCES.

2. ON THE BASIS OF INFORMAL INFORMATION, WE UNDERSTAND THAT INTERNATIONAL MILITARY STAFF (IMS) IS PROPOSING THAT FIRST PORTION OF OVERALL STUDY ADDRESS CENTRAL/EUROPE AND COUNT FOLLOWING NATO FORCES: ASSIGNED AND EARMARKED, NATIONAL COMMAND FORCES WHICH MIGHT REASONABLY BE EXPECTED TO BE COMMITTED IN CENTRAL EUROPE, FRENCH FORCES IN FRG, AND SOME FRENCH FORCES IN FRANCE.

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3. USDELMC BELIEVES, THAT TARGET DATE FOR PRESENTATION OF CENTRAL EUROPE STUDY TO MINISTERS SHOULD BE JUNE 1974. THUS, AT DECEMBER 73 DPC MINISTERIAL, CHAIRMAN MC COULD BE EXPECTED TO REPORT THAT THE STUDY IS

UNDERWAY AND THAT IT WILL BE PRESENTED TO MINISTERS AT
THEIR NEXT MEETING.
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